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NEWS FROM OUR ROOMS

INFANT ROOM

This is the season for fun and gift giving.

So many of our parents ask "What toys can we give our children this season?" We all know that toys are fun, but toys also are an important tool. Here are some of the ways that toys help your child grow and develop. Bat an arm at a mobile to make it move—cause and effect, roll a ball, push a toy car or truck—about movement. Takes a toy ball out of the bucket, drop it in—hand and eye coordination. So many of you ask what your child plays with the most and what can you get them for gifts this season. We welcome your questions and hope that we are encouraging you to play with your child as well. No matter what you buy for your child the most important thing is that you take pleasure in watching your child play, (We do!) and respond with enthusiasm to each new discovery.

We wish you a "Happy Holiday!"

Ms. Martha and Ms. Rebecca



PRE-TOD ROOM

The Pre-toddlers would like to say "Happy Holidays".

It's so hard to believe its December already. Our class room theme for the month of December is snow, gingerbread, and Holidays.

Remember we will continue to go outside as long as weather permits.

Ms. Missy



TODDLER ROOM

The month of December will be a very busy month, we will be learning about sharing and giving. We will celebrate Holidays Around the World. We are asking parents to volunteer, to share their time, talents and their cultures.

The weather is changing but we still have our outdoor play so please make sure your child has proper winter attire; because we all shop some of the same stores, sometimes many children have the same clothing. So we would appreciate if you label your child's attire. Thank you.

Ms. Judy and Ms. Sue



Our Pre-K Rooms

PART DAY PRE-K

It's hard to believe the school year is almost half over! As usual we have a lot of activities planned this month. Our class, along with the Full Day Pre-K will sing at the Senior Citizens Christmas Tea during the first week of December. Look in your childs cubby for a flyer with more information on this event. On December 18th we will go to QTRS 1 and sing for the General and Mrs. Huntoon. We will depart at 9:15 and return by 10:30. Please wear nice "Christmas" clothes for both events.

For the month of December, we will have Part Day Pre-K from the 3rd through the 21st. Part-Day Pre-K will then resume on January 2, 2008.

Our themes this month include Gingerbread and Holidays around the World. We will make lace collages, play musical chairs, make gingerbread houses, pass the present and a name hunt to name a few.

Please help your child to be able to put his/her coat on him/herself. Also, we're working on writing our names. Have your child practice writing his name at home, use a capital for the first letter and lower case for the rest. (Ex. Rhonda as opposed to RHONDA). Thank you!

We hope your holidays are happy, healthy and full of sunshine!

Ms. Rhonda and Ms. Cynthia

FULL DAY PRE-K

We would like to wish the Full Day parents and family members a Happy and Safe Holiday Season. The children have been rehearsing for the Holiday Tea, you should be very proud of them for making so many Senior Citizens smile with old favorite songs like Jingle Bells, Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer, and We Wish You a Merry Christmas.

December is filled with lots of Holiday Cheer, activity and learning games. Just to name a few, the children will be making Holiday ornaments, gingerbread houses, playing games like pass the present, and pin the nose on the reindeer.

On Dec. 19 Santa will stop in to visit the child during their Holiday party.

Full Day would like to welcome Ms. Lisa to the Full Day program.

Ms. Joy and Ms. Marlene

We would like to say Good-bye to Ms. Natalie, we will all miss you. Thanks for everything!

FROM OUR DIRECTOR



Christmas is a family time — a time when delicious smells come from the kitchen; mingling with gift giving, carol singing, and laughter.

It's a time for wishing— and I would like to wish all of you a joyful and wonderful holiday season.

Melody I rwin

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MEET OUR NEW EMPLOYEES

Kaohu Bishaw

Hello, my name is Kaohu Bishaw, I am a new flex. I'm excited to be working here and with the children. Let me tell you a little about myself. This is my first time working at the day care, but

I have watched/babysat many times before. I've lived at Carlisle Barracks for almost 3 years now. I'm excited to get started and working with everyone!

Lisa Dawson

Hi, my name is Lisa Dawson. I am going to be teaching in the Full Day Pre-K room. In 2000 I graduated from Shippensburg University with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education. My family and I have lived in the area for 6 years. I have 2 stepchildren. Nick is in 8th grade at Eagle View Middle School. Toni is a 3rd grader at Silver Spring Elementary. I look forward to working with all of the students.

Dawn Prettyman

Hello, my name is Dawn Prettyman. I'm from up state New York. I have 7 sisters and 4 brothers. Growing up my mother worked in childcare. Following in her footsteps; I have worked with young children over 15 years. Along with working at the CDC I'm a live-in nanny for a family of 3.

April Dyche

Hi my name is April Dyche. I am one of the new flex teachers here at the CDC. I am certified in elementary education with a bachelor's degree from Shippensburg University. I worked with preschool children when my children were young; then went on to work with school-age children for many years. Now my children are 10 and 13 and I'm back to preschool.

I have lived in Carlisle most of my life but was born in Ft. Belvoir, Virginia. When I get "me time", I enjoy shopping, horseback riding, and being in the barn.

I look forward to getting to know you and your child in the near future.

A Sad "Good-bye"

We are sad to say "Good-bye" to Ms. Natalie Houston, Administrative Assistant. She is moving to Washington, D.C. While we wish her all the best; she will be missed by the staff, parents and of course the children.



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